

In the Claims:

Please add claims 11 and 12, as indicated below:

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11 (new). The mixed sequence nuclease resistant oligonucleotide or oligonucleotide analog of claim 8, wherein alkyl comprises a straight or branched chain alkyl.

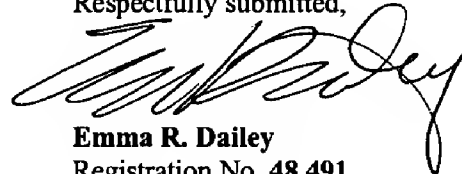
12 (new). The mixed sequence nuclease resistant oligonucleotide or oligonucleotide analog of claim 11, wherein alkyl includes unsaturation within the alkyl carbon chain.

REMARKS

After entry of the above amendment, claims 8-12 will be pending. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

Applicants submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and an early Office Action to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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Please add claims 11 and 12 as presented in the body of the amendment.

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